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TAGS: PINS, CASC, SHUM, FAO, UNDP, AR
SUBJECT: AMCIT CONSULTANTS HARASSED BY POLICE

ACTION: SECSTATE WASHDC

INFO: USMISSION GENEVA

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1. UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR JOSEF SCHUTZENBERGER TODAY (DECEMBER 14) PROVIDED EMBASSY WITH A COPY OF A CONFIDENTIAL NOTE RECENTLY DELIVERED BY UNDP TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALLY PROTESTING POLICE HARASSMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION CONTRACT CONSULTANT STANLEY OSTAZESKI. MR. OSTAZESKI, A U.S. CITIZEN, IS A RESEARCH PLANT PATHOLOGIST REGULARLY WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CURRENTLY ON CONTRACT TO FAO.
2. ACCORDING TO THE UNDP NOTE AND ATTACHED DOCUMENTS, ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 11 IN THE PROVINCIAL TOWN OF SANTA ROSA, MR OSTAZESKI ANSWERED A KNOCK ON HIS HOTEL DOOR TO FOUR

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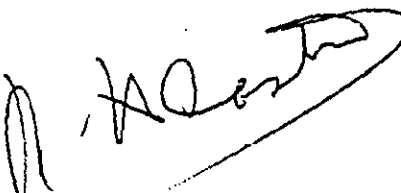
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UNIFORMED MEN ARMED WITH SUBMACHINE GUNS. THE FOUR ENTERED HIS ROOM AND PROCEEDED, DESPITE HIS PROTESTS, TO RECORD HIS IDENTITY DOCUMENTS AND RUMMAGE THROUGH HIS PERSONAL BELONGINGS. THE INCIDENT LASTED TEN MINUTES. MR. OSTAZESKI REQUESTED THAT FAO-UNDP TAKE UP THE MATTER WITH ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES BUT DID NOT REPORT THE INCIDENT TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY. NEITHER HE NOR THE UNDP HAS REQUESTED FURTHER ACTION BY THE EMBASSY.

3. THE UNDP NOTE REFERS TO A SIMILAR EARLIER INCIDENT WHICH INVOLVED ANOTHER AMERICAN CITIZEN, A MR. BAUMANN, AND HIS WIFE, ON AUGUST 30, 1977. EMBASSY WAS NOT INFORMED OF EARLIER BAUMANN INCIDENT UNTIL TODAY, AND HAS NO FURTHER DETAILS ON THAT CASE.


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